INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS
BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
SUPPLEMENTARY AND OTHER INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS

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OFFICIALS

NAME	TITLE	TERM EXPIRES
(Be	efore January 2014)	
Jane Bloomingdale	Mayor	January 2014
Doug Helgeland	Mayor Pro Tem	January 2016
Roger Rustad Rhonda Taylor Gary Nerlien Russell Meyer	Council Member Council Member Council Member Council Member	January 2014 January 2014 January 2016 January 2016
Amber Julseth	Clerk/Treasurer	June 30, 2014
John Greve	Attorney	Indefinite
(А	fter January 2014)	
Jane Bloomingdale	Mayor	January 2018
Doug Helgeland	Mayor Pro tem	January 2016
Gary Nerlien Russell Meyer Roger Rustad Rhonda Taylor	Council Member Council Member Council Member Council Member	January 2016 January 2016 January 2018 January 2018
Amber Julseth	Clerk/Treasurer	June 30, 2015
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council:

Report on the Financial Statements

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Northwood, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014, and the related Notes to Financial Statements, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the cash basis of accounting described in Note 1. This includes determining the cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. This includes the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

My responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on my audit. I conducted my audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the City's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control. Accordingly, I express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

I believe the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinions.

Opinions

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective cash basis financial position of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Northwood as of June 30, 2014, and the respective changes in cash basis financial position for the year then ended in accordance with the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

Basis of Accounting

As described in Note 1, these financial statements were prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements, which is a basis of accounting other than U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. My opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Supplementary and Other Information

My audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City of Northwood's basic financial statements. I previously audited, in accordance with the standards referred to in the third paragraph of this report, the financial statements for the nine years ended June 30, 2013 (which are not presented herein) and expressed unmodified opinions on those financial statements which were prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements. The supplementary information included in Schedules 1 through 5, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The supplementary information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards. In my opinion, the supplementary information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

The other information, Management's Discussion and Analysis and the budgetary comparison information on pages 4 through 8 and 27 through 29, has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, I do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, I have also issued my report dated October 2, 2014 on my consideration of the City of Northwood's internal control over financial reporting and on my tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of my testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> in considering The City of Northwood's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Charles City, Iowa October 2, 2014

Larry Pump

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The City of Northwood provides this Management's Discussion and Analysis of its financial statements. This narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities is for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014. I encourage readers to consider this information in conjunction with the City's financial statements, which follow.

2014 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Receipts of the City's governmental activities decreased 8%, or approximately \$150,000 from fiscal year 2013 to fiscal year 2014. Other general receipts decreased approximately \$132,000, while property taxes decreased approximately \$14,000.

Disbursements of the City's governmental activities decreased 16%, or approximately \$352,000, in fiscal year 2014 from fiscal year 2013.

The City's total cash basis net position decreased 6%, or approximately \$161,000, from June 30, 2013 to June 30, 2014. Of this amount, the cash basis net position of the governmental activities decreased approximately \$194,000 and the cash basis net position of the business type activities increased by approximately \$33,000.

USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

The annual report consists of a series of financial statements and other information, as follows:

Management's Discussion and Analysis introduces the basic financial statements and provides an analytical overview of the City's financial activities.

The Government-wide Financial Statement consists of a Cash Basis Statement of Activities and Net Position. This statement provides information about the activities of the City as a whole and presents an overall view of the City's finances.

The Fund Financial Statements tell how governmental services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending. Fund financial statements report the City's operations in more detail than the government-wide financial statement by providing information about the most significant funds.

Notes to Financial Statements provide additional information essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the basic financial statements.

Other Information further explains and supports the financial statements with a comparison of the City's budget for the year.

Supplementary Information provides detailed information about the nonmajor governmental and proprietary funds and the City's indebtedness.

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The City maintains its financial records on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements and the financial statements of the City are prepared on that basis. The cash basis of accounting does not give effect to accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued items. Accordingly, the financial statements do not present financial position and results of operations of the funds in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Therefore, when reviewing the financial information and discussion within this annual report, readers should keep in mind the limitations resulting from the use of the cash basis of accounting.

REPORTING THE CITY'S FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Government-wide Financial Statement

One of the most important questions asked about the City's finances is, "Is the City as a whole better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The Statement of Activities and Net Position reports information which helps answer this question.

The Cash Basis Statement of Activities and Net Position presents the City's net position. Over time, increases or decreases in the City's net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the City is improving or deteriorating.

The Cash Basis Statement of Activities and Net Position is divided into two kinds of activities:

Governmental Activities include public safety, public works, health and social services, culture and recreation, community and economic development, general government, debt service and capital projects. Property tax and state and federal grants finance most of these activities.

Business Type Activities include the waterworks and the sanitary sewer system. These activities are financed primarily by user charges.

Fund Financial Statements

The City has two kinds of funds:

1) Governmental funds account for most of the City's basic services. These focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances at year-end that are available for spending. The governmental funds include: 1) the General Fund, 2) the Special Revenue Funds, such as Road Use Tax and Urban Renewal Tax Increment, 3) the Debt Service Fund, 4) the Capital Projects Fund and 5) the Permanent Funds. The governmental fund financial statements provide a detailed, short-term view of the City's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the City's programs.

The required financial statement for governmental funds is a Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Balances.

Reconciliation between the government-wide statement and the fund financial statement follows the fund financial statement.

2) Proprietary funds account for the City's Enterprise Funds and the Internal Service Fund. Enterprise Funds are used to report business type activities. The City maintains several Enterprise Funds, including the Water, Sewer, Sewer Replacement, and Garbage Funds, considered to be major funds of the City. Internal Service Funds are an accounting device used to accumulate and allocate costs internally among the City's various functions.

The required financial statement for proprietary funds is a Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Balances.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of financial position. The City's cash balance for governmental activities decreased from a year ago, decreasing from \$1,934,477 to \$1,740,812. The analysis that follows focuses on the changes in cash basis net position of governmental activities.

Changes in Cash Basis Net Position of Governmental Activities

(Expressed in Thousands)

· · ·	Year ended	l June 30,
	2014	2013
Receipts:		
Program receipts:		
Charges for service	\$ 75	\$ 69
Operating grants, contributions and		
restricted interest	215	217
General receipts:		
Property tax	905	919
Local option sales tax	164	165
Unrestricted interest on investments	9	17
Other general receipts	314	445
Total receipts	<u>\$1,682</u>	\$1,832
Disbursements:		
Public safety	\$ 380	\$ 254
Public works	407	698
Health and social services	16	11
Culture and recreation	368	660
Community and economic development	212	128
General government	185	197
Debt service	212	222
Capital projects	38	
Total disbursements	\$1,818	\$2,170
Change in cash basis net position before transfers	\$ (136)	\$ (338)
Transfers, net	(57)	(24)
Change in cash basis net position	\$ (193)	\$ (362)
Cash basis net position beginning of year	1,934	2,296
Cash basis net position end of year	<u>\$1,741</u>	<u>\$1,934</u>

The City's total receipts for governmental activities decreased by 8%, or approximately \$150,000. The total cost of all programs and services decreased approximately \$352,000, or 16%, with no new programs added this year. The decrease in receipts was primarily the result of other general receipts during the year.

The cost of all governmental activities this year was approximately \$1,818,000 compared to approximately \$2,170,000 last year. However, as shown in the Statement of Activities and Net Position on pages 9-12, the amount taxpayers ultimately financed for these activities was only \$1,527,495 because some of the cost was paid by those directly benefited from the programs (\$75,410) or by other governments and organizations that subsidized certain programs with grants, contributions, and restricted interest (\$215,359). The City paid for the remaining "public benefit" portion of governmental activities with property tax (some of which could only be used for certain programs) and with other receipts, such as interest, local option sales tax and miscellaneous receipts. Overall, the City's governmental activities program receipts, including intergovernmental aid and fees for service, decreased in fiscal year 2014 from approximately \$1,832,000 to approximately \$1,682,000.

Changes in Cash Basis Net Position of Business Type Activities

(Expressed in Thousands)

	Υe	ar ended	June	e 30,
	2	014		2013
Receipts:				
Program receipts: Charges for service:				
Water Sewer Garbage Other	\$	191 201 123 37	\$	182 158 121 34
General receipts:		<i>3</i>		01
Unrestricted interest on investments Total receipts	\$	<u>4</u> 556	\$	5 500
Disbursements:				
Water Sewer Garbage Other	\$	208 195 120 57	\$	181 154 115 50
Total disbursements	\$	580	\$	500
Change in cash basis net position before transfers Transfers, net	\$	(24) 57	\$	<u>-</u> 24
Change in cash basis net position Cash basis net position beginning of year	\$	33 525	\$	24 501
Cash basis net position end of year	\$	558	\$	525

Total business type activities receipts for the fiscal year were approximately \$556,000 compared to approximately \$500,000 last year. The cash balance increased by approximately \$33,000 from the prior year. Total disbursements for the fiscal year increased by 16% to a total of approximately \$580,000.

INDIVIDUAL MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUND ANALYSIS

As the City of Northwood completed the year, its governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$1,714,642, a decrease of more than \$176,000 from last year's total of \$1,891,563. The following are the major reasons for the changes in fund balances of the major funds from the prior year.

The General Fund cash balance decreased \$174,393 from the prior year to \$584,145. This decrease was due to a decrease in 28E casino receipts.

The Special Revenue, Road Use Tax Fund cash balance increased by \$2,206 to \$141,079 during the fiscal year. This increase was attributable to a decrease in disbursements in the fiscal year.

The Special Revenue, Urban Renewal Tax Increment Fund cash balance was \$137,982, an increase from the previous year. The increase was the result of lower principal payments on TIF debt.

The Special Revenue, Employee Benefits Fund cash balance increased \$3,846 to \$109,260. The increase was due to a decrease in current year disbursements.

The Special Revenue, Local Option Sales Tax Infrastructure Fund cash balance increased \$45,247 to \$219,146. The increase is due to receipts greater than current year disbursements.

The Special Revenue, Revolving Loan Fund cash balance increased by \$809 to \$231,843. The increase is due to loans paid back.

The Debt Service, General Obligation Bonds Fund cash balance increased \$24,876 to \$35,903, due to decreased debt service payments.

INDIVIDUAL MAJOR BUSINESS TYPE FUND ANALYSIS

The Enterprise, Water Fund cash balance decreased by \$14,044 to \$80,362, due primarily to an increase in operating disbursements.

The Enterprise, Sewer Fund cash balance increased by \$37,824 to \$152,470, due primarily to an increase in operating receipts.

The Enterprise, Sewer Replacement Fund cash balance increased by \$1,642 to \$190,005, due primarily to interest income.

The Enterprise, Garbage Fund cash balance increased by \$3,641 to \$68,826, due to an increase in operating receipts.

BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

Over the course of the year, the City amended its budget one time. The amendment was approved on May 12, 2014 and resulted in an increase in disbursements and transfers out of \$396,796. The City increased revenues and other financing sources \$234,000. The City exceeded the amounts budgeted in the public safety function prior to amending.

DEBT ADMINISTRATION

At June 30, 2014, the City had approximately \$1,205,000 in bonds and other long-term debt outstanding, compared to approximately \$1,384,000 last year, as shown below.

Outstanding Debt at Year-End

(Expressed in Thousands)

June	30,
2014	2013
\$ 1,205	\$ 1,384

General obligation bonds

Debt decreased as a result of scheduled bond payments.

The Constitution of the State of Iowa limits the amount of general obligation debt cities can issue to 5% of the assessed value of all taxable property within the City's corporate limits. The City's outstanding general obligation debt of \$1,205,000 is significantly below its constitutional debt limit of \$4,755,801.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET AND RATES

The City of Northwood's elected and appointed officials and citizens considered many factors when setting the fiscal year 2015 budget, tax rates and fees charged for various City activities. One of those factors is the economy. Another concern evolves around increased energy costs for the ensuing year and beyond. The increased costs have added as much as thirty percent to segments of the budget. Holding the budget in line becomes challenging while attempting to maintain and improve city services.

CONTACTING THE CITY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers and creditors with a general overview of the City's finances and to show the City's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Amber Julseth, City Clerk, 627 Central, Northwood, Iowa 50459-1584.



CITY OF NORTHWOOD, IOWA CASH BASIS STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND NET POSITION AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

			Program Receipts					
1	Disk	oursements		Charges for Service	Cont	ting Grants, tributions Restricted Interest	Contr and F	al Grants, ributions Restricted
FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS:			_			_		
Governmental activities:								
Public safety	\$	379 , 782	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_
Public works		407,068		_		200,059		-
Health and social services	3	15 , 493		12 , 959		_		-
Culture and recreation		368,449		62 , 451		15,300		-
Community and economic								
development		212,100		-		-		-
General government		184,957		_		_		-
Debt Service		211,997		_		_		-
Capital projects		38,418	_		_			<u>_</u>
Total governmental								
activities	\$1	,818,264	\$	75 , 410	Ś	215,359	\$	_
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Business type activities:								
Water	\$	207,903	\$	191,045	\$	_	\$	_
Sewer		195,138		200,848		_		_
Garbage		119 , 597		122,953		-		_
Other		57 , 497		37,496		<u> </u>		
Total business type								
activities	\$	580,135	\$	552,342	\$	<u> </u>	\$	<u> </u>
Total	\$2	2,398,399	¢	627,752	¢	215,359	Ġ	_
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Net (Disbursements) Receipts and Changes in Cash Basis Net Position

	vernmental ctivities	iness Type ctivities	·	Total
\$	(379,782) (207,009) (2,534) (290,698)	\$ - - - -	\$	(379,782) (207,009) (2,534) (290,698)
	(212,100) (184,957) (211,997) (38,418)	 - - - -		(212,100) (184,957) (211,997) (38,418)
\$(1,527,495)	\$ 	\$(1,527,49 <u>5</u>)
\$	- - - -	\$ (16,858) 5,710 3,356 (20,001)	\$	(16,858) 5,710 3,356 (20,001)
\$		\$ (27,793)	\$	(27,793)
\$ (1,527,495)	\$ (27 , 793)	\$ (1,555,288)

CITY OF NORTHWOOD, IOWA CASH BASIS STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND NET POSITION AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

General Receipts and Transfers:

Property and other city tax levied for:
 General purposes
 Debt service
Tax increment financing
Local option sales tax
Unrestricted interest on investments
Miscellaneous
Transfers

Total general receipts and transfers

Change in cash basis net position

Cash basis net position beginning of year

Cash basis net position end of year

Cash Basis Net Position

Restricted:
Nonexpendable:
Cemetery perpetual care
Expendable:
Streets
Urban renewal purposes
Debt service
Other purposes
Unrestricted

Total cash basis net position

See Notes to Financial Statements.

Net (Disbursements) Receipts and Changes in Cash Basis Net Position

Governmental Activities	Business Type Activities	Total
\$ 602,553 41,192 261,097 164,556 9,436 311,695 (56,699)	\$ - - 4,168 - 56,699	\$ 602,553 41,192 261,097 164,556 13,604 311,695
\$ 1,333,830	\$ 60,867	\$ 1,394,697
\$ (193,665)	\$ 33,074	\$ (160,591)
1,934,477	524,864	2,459,341
<u>\$ 1,740,812</u>	<u>\$ 557,938</u>	\$ 2,298,750
\$ 107,791	\$ -	\$ 107,791
141,079 137,982 35,903 487,625 830,432		141,079 137,982 35,903 487,625 1,388,370
\$ 1,740,812	<u>\$ 557,938</u>	\$ 2,298,750

CITY OF NORTHWOOD, IOWA STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN CASH BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

			Special	
		-	Urban	
			Renewal	
	General	Road Use	Tax	Employee Benefits
RECEIPTS:	General	<u>Tax</u>	Increment	Benefits
Property tax	\$ 429,292	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 173 , 261
Tax increment financing		_	261,097	
Other city tax	_	-	-	-
Licenses and permits	6,607	_	_	-
Use of money and property Intergovernmental	15,327 15,300	200,059	_	_
Charges for service	69,630	200,009	_	_
Miscellaneous	309,565	_	_	_
Total receipts	\$ 845,721	\$ 200,059	\$ 261,097	\$ 173,261
DISBURSEMENTS:				
Operating:	\$ 379 , 782	Ċ	Ċ	Ċ
Public safety Public works	169,855	\$ - 199,085	\$ - -	\$ - 38,128
Health and social services	14,936	199 , 009	_	557
Culture and recreation	337,284	_	_	31,165
Community and economic development	18,965	-	12,350	_
General government	165 , 251	_	_	19,706
Debt service	_	_	_	_
Capital projects Total disbursements	\$1,086,073	\$ 199 , 085	\$ 12 , 350	\$ 89,556
		<u> </u>	<u>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </u>	
Excess (deficiency) of receipts	+ .0.40 0=0.			
over (under) disbursements	<u>\$ (240,352</u>)	\$ 974	\$ 248,747	\$ 83,705
Other financing sources (uses):				
Operating transfers in	\$ 190,890	\$ 1,232	\$ -	\$ -
Operating transfers out	(124,931)		(228,681)	<u>(79,859</u>)
Total other financing	.	† 1 000	÷ (000 001)	4 (50 050)
sources (uses)	<u>\$ 65,959</u>	\$ 1,232	<u>\$ (228, 681</u>)	\$ (79 , 859)
Change in cash balances	\$ (174,393)	\$ 2,206	\$ 20 , 066	\$ 3,846
Cash balances beginning of year	758,538	138,873	117,916	105,414
Cash balances end of year	<u>\$ 584,145</u>	<u>\$ 141,079</u>	<u>\$ 137,982</u>	<u>\$ 109,260</u>
Cash Basis Fund Balances:				
Nonspendable - Cemetery perpetual care	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Restricted for:			127 000	
Urban renewal purposes Debt service	_	_	137,982	_
Streets	_	141,079	_	_
Other purposes	_		_	109,260
Assigned for:				•
Cemetery	29,226	_	-	-
Library memorial trust	139,940	-	_	-
Other Unassigned	290 414 689	_	-	-
onassigned	414,689			
Total cash basis fund balances	<u>\$ 584,145</u>	<u>\$ 141,079</u>	<u>\$ 137,982</u>	<u>\$ 109,260</u>

See Notes to Financial Statements.

т	Revenue	9			ebt rvice				
Local Option Sales Tax Revolving Infrastructure Loan		_	Ob1	General Obligation Bonds		nmajor	Total		
\$	-	\$	_	\$	41,192	\$	_	\$	643,745
	- 82 , 278		_ _		-		82 , 278		261,097 164,556
	-		- 809		-		- -		6,607 16,136
	-		_		-		_		215,359
_	_		_				11,347	-	320,912
\$	82 , 278	\$	809	\$	41,192	\$	93,625	<u>\$1</u>	<u>,698,042</u>
\$	_	\$	_	\$	-	\$	_	\$	379,782
	_		-		-		_		407,068 15,493
	-		-		-	1	- L80,785		368,449 212,100
	_		_		- 211 , 997		· –		184,957 211,997
			<u> </u>		<u> </u>		38,418		38,418
\$	<u> </u>	\$		\$	211 , 997	\$ 2	219,203	<u>\$1</u>	,818,264
\$	82,278	\$	809	\$ (170 , 805)	\$ (1	125 , 578)	\$	(120,222
\$	- (37,031)	\$	- -	\$	195 , 681 -		L00,000 (74,000)	\$	487,803 (544,502
\$	(37,031)	\$	_	\$	195,681	\$	26,000	\$	(56, 699
\$	45,247	\$	809	\$	24,876	\$	(99,578)	\$	(176,921
	173,899	2	31,034		11,027	3	354,862	_1	,891,563
\$	219,146	\$ 2	<u>31,843</u>	<u>\$</u>	35,903	<u>\$ 2</u>	<u>255,284</u>	<u>\$1</u>	.,714,642
\$	_	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 1	L07 , 791	\$	107,791
	-		-		- 35 003		_		137,982
	- -		<u> </u>		35 , 903 -		-		35,903 141,079
	219,146		-		-	1	L59 , 219		487,625
	-		-		-		-		29,226
	-	2	31,843		-		13,781		139,940 245,91
							(25 , 507)	_	389,182
\$	219,146	\$ 2	31,843	\$	35,903	<u>\$ 2</u>	255,284	\$1	,714,642

CITY OF NORTHWOOD, IOWA RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN CASH BALANCES TO THE CASH BASIS STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND NET POSITION GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

Total governmental funds cash balances (page 14)

\$1,714,642

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Cash Basis Statement of Activities and Net Position are different because:

The Internal Service Fund is used by management to charge the costs of partial self funding of the City's health insurance benefit plan to individual funds. A portion of the cash balance of the Internal Service Fund is included in governmental activities in the Cash Basis Statement of Activities and Net Position.

26,170

Cash basis net position of governmental activities (page 12)

\$1,740,812

Change in cash balances (page 14)

\$ (176,921)

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Cash Basis Statement of Activities and Net Position are different because:

The Internal Service Fund is used by management to charge the costs of partial self funding of the City's health insurance benefit plan to individual funds. A portion of the change in the cash balance of the Internal Service Fund is reported with governmental activities in the Cash Basis Statement of Activities and Net Position.

(16,744)

Change in cash basis net position of governmental activities (page 12) \$ (193,665)

CITY OF NORTHWOOD, IOWA STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN CASH BALANCES PROPRIETARY FUNDS

AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

	Enterprise							
	Sewer							
		Water		Sewer	Re	placement	G	arbage
Operating receipts: Charges for service Miscellaneous	\$	183,249 7,796	\$20	00,848	\$	<u> </u>		122,953
Total operating receipts	\$	191,045	\$20	00,848	\$		\$1	122,953
Operating disbursements: Governmental activities: Public safety Public works Culture and recreation General government Business type activities Total operating disbursements	\$	- - 207,903 207,903		- - - - 95,138 95,138	\$	- - - - -		- - - - 119,597
Excess (deficiency) of operating receipt over (under) operating disbursements		(16,858)	\$	5,710	\$	-	\$	3,356
Non-operating receipts: Interest on investments		1,314		614		1,642		285
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over (under) disbursements	\$	(15,544)	\$	6,324	\$	_	\$	3,641
Other financing sources: Operating transfers in		1,500		31,500		<u> </u>		
Change in cash balances	\$	(14,044)	\$:	37,824	\$	1,642	\$	3,641
Cash balances beginning of year	_	94,406	_1:	14,646	_	188,363	_	65,185
Cash balances end of year	\$	80,362	<u>\$1</u>	52,470	\$	190,005	\$	68,826
Cash Basis Fund Balances Committed for other purposes Unrestricted	\$	- 80,362	\$ 	- 52 , 470	\$	190,005	\$	- 68,826
Total cash basis fund balances	\$	80,362	\$1	52,470	\$	190,005	\$	68,826

See Notes to Financial Statements.

Name in a		m-4-1	Internal Service Employee
Nonmajor		Total	<u> Health</u>
\$ 31,956 5,540 \$ 37,496)	539,006 13,336 552,342	\$ - <u>-</u> \$ -
\$ - -	\$ - -	- - - -	\$ 21 4,322 3,910 1,424
\$ 57,497 \$ 57,497	<u>\$</u>	580,135 580,135	7,132 \$ 16,809
\$ (20,001) \$	(27,793)	\$(16,809)
313		4,168	65
\$ (19,688	3) \$	(23,625)	\$(16,744)
23,699	<u> </u>	56,699	
\$ 4,011	\$	33,074	\$(16,744)
62,264	<u> </u>	524,864	42,914
\$ 66,275	<u>\$</u>	557,938	<u>\$ 26,170</u>
\$ 44,788 21,485		234,793 323,145	\$ 26,170
\$ 66,275	<u>\$</u>	557,938	<u>\$ 26,170</u>

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The City of Northwood is a political subdivision of the State of Iowa located in Worth County. It was first incorporated in 1859 and operates under the Home Rule provisions of the Constitution of Iowa. The City operates under the Mayor-Council form of government with the Mayor and Council Members elected on a non-partisan basis. The City provides numerous services to citizens, including public safety, public works, health and social services, culture and recreation, community and economic development and general government services. The City also provides water and sewer utilities for its citizens.

A. Reporting Entity

For financial reporting purposes, the City of Northwood has included all funds, organizations, agencies, boards, commissions and authorities. The City has also considered all potential component units for which it is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the City are such that exclusion would cause the City's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body and (1) the ability of the City to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the City. The City has no component units which meet the Governmental Accounting Standards Board criteria.

Jointly Governed Organizations

The City participates in several jointly governed organizations that provide goods or services to the citizenry of the City but do not meet the criteria of a joint venture since there is no ongoing financial interest or responsibility by the participating governments. City officials are members of the North Iowa Area Council of Governments and the Worth County Assessor's Conference Board.

B. Basis of Presentation

Government-wide Financial Statement - The Cash Basis Statement of Activities and Net Position reports information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the City. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from this statement. Governmental activities, which are supported by tax and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for service.

The Cash Basis Statement of Activities and Net Position presents the City's nonfiduciary net position. Net position is reported in the following categories/components:

Nonexpendable restricted net position is subject to externally imposed stipulations which require the cash balance to be maintained permanently by the City, including the City's Permanent, Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund.

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - continued

Expendable restricted net position results when constraints placed on the use of cash balances are either externally imposed or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted net position consists of cash balances not meeting the definition of the preceding categories. Unrestricted net position is often subject to constraints imposed by management which can be removed or modified.

The Cash Basis Statement of Activities and Net Position demonstrates the degree to which the direct disbursements of a given function are offset by program receipts. Direct disbursements are those clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program receipts include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services or privileges provided by a given function and 2) grants, contributions and interest on investments restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Property tax and other items not properly included among program receipts are reported instead as general receipts.

Fund Financial Statements - Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and proprietary funds. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. All remaining governmental and proprietary funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor governmental and proprietary funds.

The City reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the City. All general tax receipts from general and emergency levies and other receipts not allocated by law or contractual agreement to some other fund are accounted for in this fund. From the fund are paid the general operating disbursements, the fixed charges and the capital improvement costs not paid from other funds.

Special Revenue:

The Road Use Tax Fund is used to account for the road use tax allocation from the State of Iowa to be used for road construction and maintenance.

The Urban Renewal Tax Increment Fund is used to account for tax increment financing collections and the repayment of tax increment financing indebtedness.

The Employee Benefits Fund is used to account for the employee benefits tax levy.

The Local Option Sales Tax Infrastructure Fund is used to account for local option sales tax revenues to be used for infrastructure.

The Revolving Loan Fund is used to account for money loaned to businesses in the City.

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - continued

The Debt Service, General Obligation Bonds Fund is utilized to account for property tax and other receipts to be used for the payment of interest and principal on the City's general long-term debt.

The City reports the following major proprietary funds:

The Enterprise, Water Fund accounts for the operation and maintenance of the City's water system.

The Enterprise, Sewer Fund accounts for the operation and maintenance of the City's wastewater treatment and sanitary sewer system.

The Enterprise, Sewer Replacement Fund accounts for funds reserved for future sewer repairs and replacements.

The Enterprise, Garbage Fund accounts for the operation and maintenance of the City's garbage system.

The City also reports the following additional proprietary fund:

An Internal Service Fund is utilized to account for the financing of goods or services purchased by one department of the City and provided to other departments or agencies on a cost reimbursement basis.

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The City of Northwood maintains its financial records on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements and the financial statements of the City are prepared on that basis. The cash basis of accounting does not give effect to accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued items. Accordingly, the financial statements do not present financial position and results of operations of the funds in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

When a disbursement in governmental funds can be paid using either restricted or unrestricted resources, the City's policy is generally to first apply the disbursement toward restricted fund balance and then to less-restrictive classifications-committed, assigned and then unassigned fund balances.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating receipts and disbursements from non-operating items. Operating receipts and disbursements generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. All receipts and disbursements not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating receipts and disbursements.

D. Governmental Cash Basis Fund Balances

In the governmental fund financial statements, cash basis fund balances are classified as follows:

Nonspendable - Amounts which cannot be spent because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

 $\frac{\text{Restricted}}{\text{placed on}}$ - Amounts restricted to specific purposes when constraints placed on the use of the resources are either externally imposed by creditors, grantors or state or federal laws or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - continued

 $\underline{\text{Assigned}}$ - Amounts the City Council intends to use for specific purposes.

Unassigned - All amounts not included in the preceding classifications.

E. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The budgetary comparison and related disclosures are reported as Other Information. During the year ended June 30, 2014, disbursements exceeded the amounts budgeted in the public safety function prior to amending.

(2) Cash and Pooled Investments

The City's deposits in banks at June 30, 2014 were entirely covered by federal depository insurance or by the State Sinking Fund in accordance with Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa. This chapter provides for additional assessments against the depositories to insure there will be no loss of public funds.

The City is authorized by statute to invest public funds in obligations of the United States government, its agencies and instrumentalities; certificates of deposit or other evidences of deposit at federally insured depository institutions approved by the City Council; prime eligible bankers acceptances; certain high rated commercial paper; perfected repurchase agreements; certain registered open-end management investment companies; certain joint investment trusts; and warrants or improvement certificates of a drainage district.

<u>Interest rate risk</u> - The City's investment policy limits the investment of operating funds (funds expected to be expended in the current budget year or within 15 months of receipt) to instruments that mature within 397 days. Funds not identified as operating funds may be invested in investments with maturities longer than 397 days, but the maturities shall be consistent with the needs and use of the City.

(3) Bonds Payable

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for general obligation bonds are as follows:

Year	General Obl	igation
Ending	Bonds	}
June 30,	Principal	Interest
2015	\$ 182,000	\$ 28,702
2016	190,000	24,709
2017	199,000	20,531
2018	203,000	15,764
2019	211,000	10,931
2020	220,000	5,687
Total	\$1,205,000	\$106 , 324

(3) Bonds Payable - continued

The resolution providing for the issuance of the general obligation bonds includes the following provision:

(a) At the option of the City, bonds due on the Drinking Water Bond issue of June 10, 2000 and Streets & Bridges issue of October 29, 2009, are subject to redemption and prepayment in inverse numerical order beginning June 1, 2010 and June 1, 2017, respectively, and on any interest payment date thereafter, at a price of par plus accrued interest to call date, by giving proper notice.

(4) Pension and Retirement Benefits

The City contributes to the Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System (IPERS), which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of Iowa. IPERS provides retirement and death benefits which are established by state statute to plan members and beneficiaries. IPERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. The report may be obtained by writing to IPERS, P.O. Box 9117, Des Moines, Iowa 50306-9117.

Most regular plan members are required to contribute 5.95% of their annual covered salary and the City is required to contribute 8.93% of covered salary. Certain employees in special risk occupations and the City contribute an actuarially determined contribution rate. Contribution requirements are established by state statute. The City's contributions to IPERS for the years ended June 30, 2014, 2013 and 2012 were \$36,344, \$49,017 and \$50,647, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

(5) Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

<u>Plan Description</u> - The City operates a single-employer health benefit plan which provides medical/prescription drug benefits for employees, retirees and their spouses. There are 9 active and no retired members in the plan. Retired participants must be age 55 or older at retirement.

The medical/prescription drug benefits are provided through a fully-insured plan with United Healthcare and Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield. Retirees under age 65 pay the same premium for the medical/prescription drug benefits as active employees.

<u>Funding Policy</u> - The contribution requirements of plan members are established and may be amended by the City. The City currently finances the benefit plan on a pay-as-you-go basis. The most recent active member monthly premiums for the City and plan members are \$408 for single coverage and \$1,251 for family coverage. For the year ended June 30, 2014, the City contributed \$111,360 and plan members eligible for benefits did not contribute to the plan.

(6) Law Enforcement Contract

The City of Northwood entered into an agreement with the Worth County Sheriff's Department for the purpose of providing the City with law enforcement services. The amount paid on the contract by the City for the year ended June 30, 2014 amounted to \$343,792.

(7) Compensated Absences

City employees accumulate a limited amount of earned but unused vacation, comp time and sick leave hours for subsequent use or for payment upon termination, retirement or death. These accumulations are not recognized as disbursements by the City until used or paid. The City's approximate liability for earned vacation payable, comp time payable and sick leave payable to employees at June 30, 2014, primarily relating to the General Fund, is as follows:

Type of Benefit		Amount_		
Vacation Comp time Sick leave	\$	28,140 6,001 32,208		
Total	\$	66,349		

This liability has been computed based on rate of pay in effect at June 30,2014.

(8) Industrial Development Revenue Bonds

The City has issued a total of \$2,800,000 of multifamily elderly revenue bonds under the provision of Chapter 419 of the Code of Iowa, of which \$2,300,000 is outstanding at June 30, 2014. The bonds and related principal are payable solely by Lutheran Retirement Home, Inc., and the bond principal and interest do not constitute liabilities of the City.

(9) Economic Development

On August 1, 2003, the City loaned \$20,000 to Grass Lake Furniture Co. The loan proceeds were to be used to operate a retail business in Northwood. The loan is a non-interest bearing loan. Grass Lake Furniture Co. is obligated to repay the City in monthly installments of \$238 beginning August 1, 2004. The loan Balance at June 30, 2014 was \$7,381.

On February 26, 2007, the City loaned \$18,000 to Worth Brewing Company, LLC. The loan proceeds were to be used for a business in Northwood. The loan is a non-interest bearing loan. Worth Brewing Company, LLC is obligated to repay the City \$8,000 in annual installments of \$1,335 beginning February 26, 2011. The remaining \$10,000 was forgivable after three years. The loan balance at June 30, 2014 was \$2,660.

On September 13, 2007, the City loaned \$16,000 to Grass Lake Furniture Co. The loan proceeds were to be used to operate a retail business in Northwood. The loan is a non-interest bearing loan. Grass Lake Furniture Co. is obligated to repay the City in monthly installment of \$190 beginning April 30, 2008. The loan Balance at June 30, 2014 was \$14,095.

On September 15, 2010, the City loaned \$15,000 to Donald Pangburn D/B/A North Star Xpress. The loan proceeds were to be used for a business in Northwood. The loan is a non-interest bearing loan. Donald Pangburn is obligated to repay the City \$5,000 in two annual installments of \$2,500 beginning September 16, 2012. The remaining \$10,000 was forgivable after three years. The loan balance at June 30, 2014 was paid off.

(9) <u>Economic Development</u> - continued

On January 17, 2011, the City loaned \$9,871 to Manuel Ramirez, Shawna Seger, and Noe Garduno Flores D/B/A Tequila's Mexican Bar & Grill. The loan proceeds were to be used for a business in Northwood. The loan is a non-interest bearing loan. Tequila's Mexican Bar & Grill is obligated to repay the City \$4,035 in annual installments of \$1,645 beginning January 2014. The remaining \$4,936 was forgivable after three years. The loan balance at June 30, 2014 was \$2,690.

On March 9, 2011, the City loaned \$12,000 to Thomas Capranos D/B/A Northwood Laundromat. The loan proceeds were to be used for a business in Northwood. The loan is a non-interest bearing loan. Thomas Capranos is obligated to repay the City \$7,000 in annual installments of \$1,500 beginning March 10, 2012. The remaining \$5,000 is forgivable after five years. The loan balance at June 30, 2014 was \$7,500.

On April 25, 2012 the City loaned \$7,000 to Rick Rosenberg D/B/A Orion Fitness Center. The loan proceeds were to be used for a business in Northwood. The loan is a non-interest bearing loan. Rick Rosenberg is obligated to repay the City \$4,000 in one annual installment of \$1,000 beginning April 25, 2013 and two annual installments of \$1,500 beginning April 25, 2014. The remaining \$3,000 is forgivable after three years. The loan balance at June 30, 2014 was \$5,000.

On November 5, 2012 the City loaned \$8,800 to Rick Rosenburg D/B/A Orion Fitness Center. The loan proceeds were to be used for a business in Northwood. The loan is a non-interest bearing loan. Rick Rosenburg is obligated to repay the City \$6,800 in one annual installment of \$2,000 beginning November 5, 2014 and two annual installments of \$2,400 beginning November 5, 2015. The remaining \$2,000 is forgivable after three years. The loan balance at June 30, 2014 was \$7,384.

On August 8, 2013 the City loaned \$20,000 to Aaron Street D/B/A Northwood Chiropractic. The loan proceeds were to be used for a business in Northwood. The loan is a non-interest bearing loan. Aaron Street is obligated to repay the City \$7,000 in five annual installments of \$1,500 beginning August 8, 2014. The remaining \$13,000 is forgivable after five years. The loan balance at June 30, 2014 was \$20,000.

On December 19, 2013, the City loaned \$25,000 to Teresa George D/B/A Shade Tree Liquors. The loan proceeds were to be used for a business in Northwood. The loan is forgivable after three years. The loan balance at June 30, 2014 was \$25,000.

On January 15, 2014 the City loaned \$3,715 to Jennifer Lombard D/B/A Finders Keepers. The loan proceeds were to be used for a business in Northwood. The loan is forgivable after three years. The loan balance at June 30, 2014 was \$3,715.

On March 3, 2014, the City loaned \$4,000 to Peter Ausenhus D/B/A Worth Brewing Company. The loan proceeds were to be used for a business in Northwood. The loan is forgivable after three years. The loan balance at June 30, 2014 was \$4,000.

On June 18, 2014, the City loaned \$12,367 to Worth County Historical Society. The loan proceeds were to be used for a building in Northwood. The loan is forgivable after three years. The loan balance at June 30, 2014 was \$12,367.

(9) <u>Economic Development</u> - continued

On June 18, 2014, the City loaned \$1,019 to DS Liquors. The loan proceeds were to be used for a business in Northwood. The loan is forgivable after three years. The loan balance at June 30, 2014 was \$1,019.

The City has funds set aside for various housing assistance programs within the City. Applications are reviewed by the council. The amount expended by the City for the 2014 fiscal year was \$114,684.

The City allocated funds for business development within the City. Applications are considered by a separate business development committee. The amount expended by the City for the 2014 fiscal year was \$66,101.

(10) Risk Management

The City is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. These risks are covered by the purchase of commercial insurance. The City assumes liability for any deductibles and claims in excess of coverage limitations. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

(11) Related Party Transactions

The City had business transactions between the City and City officials totaling \$3,550\$ during the year ended June 30, 2014.

(12) Interfund Transfers

The detail of interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2014 is as follows:

Transfer to	Transfer from	Amount
General	Special Revenue: Employee Benefits Local Option Sales Tax - Property Tax Relief	
	Local Option Sales Tax - Infrastructure	74,000 37,031 \$ 190,890
Special Revenue: Housing Assistance Program	General	\$ 75,000
Revitalization	General	25,000
Road Use Tax	General	1,232 \$ 101,232
Debt Service: General Obligation Bonds	Special Revenue: Urban Renewal Tax Increment	\$ 195,681
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(12) Interfund Transfers - continued

<u>Transfer to</u>	Transfer from	Amount
Enterprise: Water	Special Revenue: Urban Renewal Tax Increment	\$ 1,500
Sewer	Urban Renewal Tax Increment	\$ 31,500
Taxi	General	\$ 23,699
Total		\$ 544,502

Transfers generally move resources from the fund statutorily required to collect the resources to the fund statutorily required to disburse the resources.

(13) Deficit Balance

The Special Revenue, Housing Assistance Program Fund had a deficit balance of \$25,507 at June 30, 2014. The deficit will be eliminated upon receipt of grant funds.

(14) Commitments

At June 30, 2014, the following commitments had been made:

	Costs
Total	Incurred
Contract	To Date
\$ 459,238	\$ -
	Contract

(15) Subsequent Events

On July 14, 2014, the Council approved the purchase of a sewer jet in the amount of \$47,867.

(16) Prospective Accounting Change

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has issued Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - an amendment of GASB No. 27. This statement will be implemented for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015. The revised requirements establish new financial reporting requirements for state and local governments which provide their employees with pension benefits, including additional note disclosures and required supplementary information.



${\tt BUDGETARY} \ \ {\tt COMPARISON} \ \ {\tt SCHEDULE} \ \ {\tt OF} \ \ {\tt RECEIPTS} \,, \ \ {\tt DISBURSEMENTS} \,$

AND CHANGES IN BALANCES -

BUDGET AND ACTUAL (CASH BASIS) - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS AND PROPRIETARY FUNDS OTHER INFORMATION

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

DECEMBER	Governmental Funds Actual	Proprietary Funds Actual	Less Funds Not Required To Be Budgeted
RECEIPTS: Property tax Tax increment financing Other city tax Licenses and permits Use of money and property	\$ 643,745 261,097 164,556 6,607 16,136	\$ - - - 4,233	\$ - - - - 65
Intergovernmental Charges for service Special assessments Miscellaneous Total receipts	215,359 69,630 - 320,912 \$ 1,698,042	539,006 - 13,336 \$ 556,575	\$ 65
DISBURSEMENTS: Public safety Public works Health and social services Culture and recreation Community and economic development General government Debt service Capital projects Business type activities Total disbursements	\$ 379,782 407,068 15,493 368,449 212,100 184,957 211,997 38,418	\$ 21 4,322 - 3,910 - 1,424 - 587,267 \$ 596,944	\$ 21 4,322 - 3,910 - 1,424 - - 7,132 \$ 16,809
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over (under) disbursements Other financing sources, net	\$ (120,222) (56,699)	\$ (40,369)	\$ (16,744)
Excess (deficiency) of receipts and other financing sources over (under) disbursements and other financing uses		\$ 16,330	\$ (16,744)
Balances beginning of year Balances end of year	1,891,563 \$ 1,714,642	567,778 \$ 584,108	42,914 \$ 26,170

See Accompanying Independent Auditor's Report.

		Budgete	d Amounts	Final to Total
	Total	Original	Final	Variance
\$2,	643,745 261,097 164,556 6,607 20,304 215,359 608,636 - 334,248 254,552	\$ 625,111 275,000 156,240 5,350 31,000 607,015 660,649 6,530 485,600 \$2,852,495	\$ 625,111 275,000 180,240 15,350 31,000 607,015 660,649 6,530 685,600 \$ 3,086,495	\$ 18,634 (13,903) (15,684) (8,743) (10,696) (391,656) (52,013) (6,530) (351,352) \$ (831,943)
\$ \$2,	379,782 407,068 15,493 368,449 212,100 184,957 211,997 38,418 580,135 398,399	\$ 303,039 875,213 13,057 649,539 284,776 205,570 221,111 - 619,626 \$3,171,931	\$ 380,635 875,213 17,257 649,539 559,776 205,570 221,111 40,000 619,626 \$ 3,568,727	\$ 853 468,145 1,764 281,090 347,676 20,613 9,114 1,582 39,491 \$1,170,328
\$	(143,847)	\$ (319,436)	\$ (482,232)	\$ 338,385
2,	(143,847)	\$ (319,436) 2,032,887	\$ (482,232) 2,032,887	\$ 338,385
<u>\$2</u> ,	<u>,272,580</u>	<u>\$1,713,451</u>	<u>\$ 1,550,655</u>	<u>\$ 721,925</u>

CITY OF NORTHWOOD, IOWA NOTES TO OTHER INFORMATION - BUDGETARY REPORTING JUNE 30, 2014

The budgetary comparison is presented in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 41 for governments with significant budgetary perspective differences resulting from not being able to present budgetary comparisons for the General Fund and each major Special Revenue Fund.

In accordance with the Code of Iowa, the City Council annually adopts a budget on the cash basis following required public notice and hearing for all funds except Internal Service Funds and Fiduciary Funds. The annual budget may be amended during the year utilizing similar statutorily prescribed procedures.

Formal and legal budgetary control is based upon nine major classes of disbursements known as functions, not by fund. These nine functions are: public safety, public works, health and social services, culture and recreation, community and economic development, general government, debt service, capital projects and business type activities. Function disbursements required to be budgeted include disbursements for the General Fund, the Special Revenue Funds, the Debt Service Fund, the Capital Projects Fund, the Permanent Funds and the Enterprise Funds. Although the budget document presents function disbursements by fund, the legal level of control is at the aggregated function level, not by fund. During the year, one budget amendment increased budgeted disbursements by \$396,796. The budget amendment is reflected in the final budgeted amounts.

During the year ended June 30, 2014, disbursements exceeded the amount budgeted in the public safety function prior to amendment.



CITY OF NORTHWOOD, IOWA SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN CASH BALANCES NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

	Special			
	Local Option Sales Tax Property Tax Relief	Housing Assistance Program		
RECEIPTS:	¢ 00 070	<u> </u>		
Other city tax Miscellaneous	\$ 82 , 278	\$ - 751		
Total receipts	\$ 82,278	\$ 751		
DISBURSEMENTS:				
Operating: Community and economic development	\$ -	\$ 114,684		
Capital projects	γ – –	\$ 114,684 -		
Total disbursements	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ 114,684		
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over (under) disbursements	\$ 82,278	\$ (113,933)		
Other financing sources (uses): Operating transfers in	\$ -	\$ 75 , 000		
Operating transfers out	(74,000)	<u> </u>		
Total other financing sources (uses)	\$ (74,000)	\$ 75,000		
Change in cash balances	\$ 8,278	\$ (38,933)		
Cash balances beginning of year	150,941	13,426		
Cash balances end of year	<u>\$ 159,219</u>	<u>\$ (25,507</u>)		
Cash Basis Fund Balances: Nonspendable - Cemetery perpetual care Restricted for other purposes Assigned for:	\$ - 159 , 219	\$ - -		
Revitalization Unassigned		(25,507)		
Total cash basis fund balances	<u>\$ 159,219</u>	<u>\$ (25,507</u>)		

See Accompanying Independent Auditor's Report.

	Revenue		Capital Project	Pe	rmanent		
Revi	talization	G	2009 .O. Bond		emetery erpetual Care		Total
\$	9,096 9,096	\$	- - -	\$	1,500 1,500	\$	82,278 11,347 93,625
\$	66,101	\$	38,418 38,418	\$	- - -	\$	180,785 38,418 219,203
\$	(57 , 005)	\$	(38,418)	\$	1,500	\$	(125, 578)
\$ \$	25,000 - 25,000 (32,005)	\$ \$	(38,418)	\$ \$	- - - 1,500	\$ \$	100,000 (74,000) 26,000 (99,578)
	45,786		38,418		106,291		354,862
\$	13,781	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	107,791	\$	255,284
\$	- -	\$	- -	\$	107,791	\$	107,791 159,219
	13 , 781		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>		13,781 (25,507)
\$	13,781	\$		\$	107,791	\$	255,284

CITY OF NORTHWOOD, IOWA SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN CASH BALANCES NONMAJOR PROPRIETARY FUNDS AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

	E	nterprise	
		Meter	
	Taxi	Deposit	Total
Operating receipts:			
Charges for service	\$ 31 , 956	\$ -	\$ 31,956
Miscellaneous	\$ 31 , 956	5,540 \$ 5,540	5,540
Total operating receipts	\$ 31,956	\$ 5,540	\$ 37,496
Operating disbursements:			
Business type activities	54,680	2,817	57,497
Excess (deficiency) of			
operating receipts over(under)			
operating disbursements	\$ (22,724)	\$ 2,723	\$(20,001)
Non-operating receipts:			
Uses of money and property		313	313
Excess (deficiency) of receipts			
over (under) disbursements	\$(22,724)	\$ 3,036	\$(19,688)
Operating transfers in	23,699		23,699
Change in cash balances	\$ 975	\$ 3 , 036	\$ 4,011
Cash balances beginning of year	20,512	A1 750	62,264
cash balances beginning of year	20,312	41,752	02,204
Cash balances end of year	<u>\$ 21,487</u>	<u>\$44,788</u>	<u>\$ 66,275</u>
Cash Basis Fund Balances:			
Unrestricted	\$ 21 , 487	\$ -	\$ 21 , 487
Committed for other purposes		44,788	44,788
Total cash basis fund balances	<u>\$ 21,487</u>	<u>\$44,788</u>	<u>\$ 66,275</u>

See Accompanying Independent Auditor's Report.

CITY OF NORTHWOOD, IOWA SCHEDULE OF INDEBTEDNESS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

Obligation	Date <u>of Issue</u>	Interest Rates	Amount Originally Issued		
General Obligation Bonds:					
Streets & Bridges	10-29-09	1.50 - 3.50%	\$ 900,000		
Drinking Water	6-10-00	1.75	1,690,000		

Total indebtedness

Balance Beginning of Year	Beginning During		Redeemed During Year		Balance End of Year		Interest Paid		Interest Due and Unpaid	
\$ 655,000 729,000	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	85,000 94,000	\$	570,000 635,000	\$	19,375 12,757	\$	<u>-</u>
\$1,384,000	<u>\$</u>		\$	179,000	\$1	,205,000	\$	32,132	\$	<u>–</u>

CITY OF NORTHWOOD, IOWA BOND MATURITIES JUNE 30, 2014

GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS

	Drinki	ng Water	Streets	& Bri	idges		
Year	Issued June 10, 2000		Issued October 29, 2009				
Ending	Interest		Interest				
<u>June 30,</u>	Rates	Amount	Rates		Amount	_	Total
2015	1.75%	\$ 97,000	2.70%	\$	85,000	\$	182,000
2016	1.75	100,000	2.70		90,000		190,000
2017	1.75	104,000	3.10		95,000		199,000
2018	1.75	108,000	3.10		95,000		203,000
2019	1.75	111,000	3.30		100,000		211,000
2020	1.75	115,000	3.50		105,000		220,000
Total		<u>\$ 635,000</u>		\$	570,000	<u>\$1</u>	,205,000

CITY OF NORTHWOOD, IOWA SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS BY SOURCE AND DISBURSEMENTS BY FUNCTION ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE LAST TEN YEARS

		2014		2013		2012		2011
Receipts:								
Property tax	\$	643 , 745	\$	651 , 843	\$	613,134	\$	601,593
Tax increment financing		261,097		267,429		270,172		268,943
Other city tax		164,556		164,644		140,556		153,190
Licenses and permits		6 , 607		7 , 946		5,193		4,620
Use of money and property		16,136		20,131		22,144		28,086
Intergovernmental		215 , 359		217,487		244,944		254 , 354
Charges for service		69 , 630		68 , 609		65 , 555		66 , 583
Special assessments		_		2,054		330		_
Miscellaneous		320,912		449,216		341,158		391,034
Total	<u>\$1</u>	,698,042	<u>\$1</u>	,849,359	<u>\$1</u>	<u>,703,186</u>	<u>\$1</u>	<u>,768,403</u>
Disbursements:								
Operating:								
Public safety	\$	379 , 782	\$	254,835	\$	314,332	\$	350,436
Public works		407,068		697 , 490		553 , 585		431,830
Health and social services		15,493		11,122		9,332		15,263
Culture and recreation		368,449		660,389		285,211		284,634
Community and economic								
development		212,100		128,414		136,762		148,524
General government		184 , 957		196,827		180,742		208,819
Debt Service		211 , 997		221,739		272 , 777		304,303
Capital projects		38,418	_					7,571
Total	<u>\$1</u>	,818,264	<u>\$2</u>	,170,816	<u>\$1</u>	<u>,752,741</u>	\$1	<u>,751,380</u>

	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
\$	606,648 246,761 132,862 6,110 31,674 458,205 59,726 - 221,006	\$ 601,719 239,192 153,892 5,555 39,178 283,809 59,881 - 402,190	\$ 532,291 261,044 148,842 4,701 72,070 211,205 54,376 92 353,790	\$ 548,070 284,207 154,150 6,747 81,120 195,470 52,051 588 395,172	\$ 504,301 288,698 96,949 5,800 51,625 200,687 54,527 2,428 171,404	\$ 446,007 331,514 103,304 7,800 31,626 200,824 67,011 2,298 118,575
<u>\$1</u>	,762,992	<u>\$1,785,416</u>	\$1,638,411	<u>\$1,717,575</u>	\$1,376,419	\$1,308,959
\$	269,340 363,250 11,285 349,751 151,167 149,034 231,916 438,989	\$ 310,689 369,727 8,109 443,912 170,782 159,063 292,050 100,000	\$ 283,158 312,772 6,626 452,149 87,495 133,933 294,816	\$ 230,440 282,887 1,490 240,473 82,676 155,033 281,474	\$ 215,760 276,193 18,014 190,528 127,399 169,536 275,433 56,679	\$ 213,785 259,220 366 175,964 145,226 146,082 336,207
<u>\$1</u>	,964,732	<u>\$1,854,332</u>	<u>\$1,570,949</u>	<u>\$1,274,473</u>	\$1,329,542	\$1,276,850

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE
AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED
IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council:

I have audited in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Northwood, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014, and the related Notes to Financial Statements, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements, and have issued my report thereon dated October 2, 2014. My report expressed unmodified opinions on the financial statements which were prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements, a basis of accounting other than U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing my audit of the financial statements, I considered the City of Northwood's internal control over financial reporting to determine the audit procedures appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing my opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City of Northwood's internal control. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City of Northwood's internal control.

My consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and, therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. However, as described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings, I identified deficiencies in internal control I consider to be material weaknesses.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility a material misstatement of the City of Northwood's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. I consider the deficiencies in internal control described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings as items (A) and (B) to be material weaknesses.

A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control which is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. There are no deficiencies described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings that I consider to be significant deficiencies.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City of Northwood's financial statements are free of material misstatement, I performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations and contracts, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of my audit and, accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. The results of my tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>. However, I noted certain immaterial instances of noncompliance or other matters which are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings.

Comments involving statutory and other legal matters about the City's operations for the year ended June 30, 2014 are based exclusively on knowledge obtained from procedures performed during my audit of the financial statements of the City. Since my audit was based on tests and samples, not all transactions that might have had an impact on the comments were necessarily audited. The comments involving statutory and other legal matters are not intended to constitute legal interpretations of those statutes.

The City of Northwood's Responses to the Findings

The City of Northwood's responses to findings identified in my audit are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings. The City of Northwood's responses were not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, I express no opinion on them.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of my testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the City's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

I would like to acknowledge the many courtesies and assistance extended to us by personnel of the City of Northwood during the course of my audit. Should you have any questions concerning any of the above matters, I shall be pleased to discuss them with you at your convenience.

Charles City, Iowa October 2, 2014

Lary Pump

CITY OF NORTHWOOD, IOWA Schedule of Findings Year Ended June 30, 2014

Findings Related to the Financial Statements:

INTERNAL CONTROL DEFICIENCIES:

(A) Segregation of Duties - One important aspect of internal control is the segregation of duties among employees to prevent an individual employee from handling duties which are incompatible. I noted that one person has control over most of the accounting and banking functions.

Recommendation - I realize segregation of duties is difficult with a limited number of office employees. However, the City should review its control procedures to obtain the maximum internal control possible under the circumstances utilizing currently available staff, including elected officials.

Response - We will review procedures and make changes to improve internal control where possible.

 $\underline{\text{Conclusion}}$ - Response acknowledged. The City should segregate duties to the extent possible with existing personnel and utilize administrative personnel to provide additional control through review of financial transactions and reports.

(B) <u>Countersignature of Checks</u> - Checks are prepared and signed by one individual.

Recommendation - Checks should be prepared and signed by one individual and then the supporting documentation should be made available along with the check to a second independent individual for review and countersignature.

Response - We will investigate the alternatives.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

INSTANCES OF NON-COMPLIANCE:

No matters were noted.

Other Findings Related to Required Statutory Reporting:

(1) Certified Budget - Disbursements during the year ended June 30, 2014 exceeded the amount budgeted in the public safety function prior to amending. Chapter 384.20 of the Code of Iowa states, in part, "Public monies may not be expended or encumbered except under an annual or continuing appropriation."

 $\frac{\text{Recommendation}}{\text{with Chapter }}$ - The budget should have been amended in accordance with Chapter 384.18 of the Code of Iowa before disbursements were allowed to exceed the budget.

<u>Response</u> - The budget will be amended prior to disbursements exceeding the budget in the future.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

CITY OF NORTHWOOD, IOWA Schedule of Findings Year Ended June 30, 2014

Other Findings Related to Required Statutory Reporting: - continued

- (2) <u>Questionable Disbursements</u> No disbursements I believe may not meet the requirements of public purpose as defined in an Attorney General's opinion dated April 25, 1979 were noted.
- (3) Travel Expense No disbursements of City money for travel expenses of spouses of City officials or employees were noted.
- $\frac{\text{Business Transactions}}{\text{City officials or employees are detailed as follows:}} \text{Business transactions between the City and }$

Name, Title and Business Connection	Transaction Description	Amount
Jim Meland, Employee, Equipment Rental	Rental	\$3 , 550

In accordance with Chapter 362.5 (3)(k) of the Code of Iowa, the transactions with Jim Meland may represent a conflict of interest since total transactions were more than \$2,500\$ during the fiscal year.

 $\frac{\text{Recommendation}}{\text{the disposition}}$ - The City should consult legal counsel to determine $\frac{\text{Recommendation}}{\text{the disposition}}$ of this matter.

Response - We will do this.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

- (5) Bond Coverage Surety bond coverage of City officials and employees is in accordance with statutory provisions. The amount of coverage should be reviewed annually to insure that the coverage is adequate for current operations.
- (6) $\frac{\text{Council Minutes}}{\text{have been approved in the Council minutes but were not.}}$
- (7) <u>Deposits and Investments</u> No instances of non-compliance with the deposit and investment provisions of Chapter 12B and 12C of the Code of Iowa and the City's investment policy were noted.
- (8) <u>Financial Condition</u> The Special Revenue, Housing Assistance Program Fund had a deficit balance of \$25,507 at June 30, 2014.

 $\frac{\text{Recommendation}}{\text{alternatives}}$ - The City should monitor this account and investigate alternatives to eliminate the deficit in order to return it to a sound financial condition.

 $\underline{\text{Response}}$ - The account will be restored to a positive balance with the receipt of grant funds.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

(9) <u>Health Insurance Plan</u> - The City has a health insurance plan that is partially self-funded. Chapter 509A.15 of the Code of Iowa requires that for this type of plan the City must file a Certificate of Compliance with the Insurance Commissioner of Iowa. I noted that this was not filed.

CITY OF NORTHWOOD, IOWA Schedule of Findings Year Ended June 30, 2014

Other Findings Related to Required Statutory Reporting: - continued

Recommendation - The Certificate of Compliance should be filed as required by the Code.

Response - We will investigate this.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

(10) Tax Increment Financing (TIF) - Chapter 403.19 of the Code of Iowa provides a municipality may certify loans, advances, indebtedness and bonds (indebtedness) to the County Auditor which qualify for reimbursement from incremental property tax. The County Auditor provides for the division of property tax to repay the certified indebtedness and provides available incremental property tax in subsequent fiscal years without further certification by the City until the amount of certified indebtedness is paid.

I noted the following regarding the City's TIF debt certification dated November 15, 2014.

The City did not certify interest for the \$900,000 2009 series Bonds.

Recommendation - The City should consult TIF legal counsel to determine the disposition of the City's TIF certifications, including the amount of TIF debt to be decertified, if any. The City should ensure the TIF debt certification complies with Chapter 403 of the Code of Iowa and includes only allowable debt approved by the City Council prior to certification.

 $\underline{\text{Response}}$ - The City will consult TIF legal counsel, make corrections to the TIF certification and approve debt prior to certifying.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

(11) <u>Urban Renewal Annual Report</u> - The urban renewal annual report was properly approved and certified to the Iowa Department of Management on or before December 1.